

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A device for positioning and lifting a marine ~~structure~~, particularly a platform deck, with the use of ~~structure with~~ a U-shaped ballastable lifting vessel (1), characterised by ~~the device~~ comprising at least two adjustable lifting frames (12,12), each able to incline towards the middle of the ~~decking area~~ U-shape of the lifting vessel (1), as each of the lifting frames (12) consists of an upper horizontal lifting beams (13), ~~preferably situated on a level above the top of the lifting vessel (1)~~, a near-vertical support structures (16) which in its upper ends respectively is connected to the lifting beams (13) and which in its lower ends respectively is hinged (21) to the lifting vessel (1), and a near-horizontal parts (18) which in its having first ends respectively is connected to the lifting beams (13) and which in its second ends is adjustably connected to the lifting vessel (1).
2. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one of the upper horizontal lifting beams (13) is covered with an external shock absorbing cover (14).
3. (previously presented) A device according to claim 2, characterised in that the shock absorbing cover (14) is made of rubber.
4. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one of the lifting beams (13) is provided with hydraulic cylinders (30) in pre-defined lifting point positions.

5. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one of the lifting beams (13) is provided with sand-filled cylinders (35) in pre-defined lifting point positions ~~as the sand-filled cylinders (35) co-operate for co-operation with the~~ corresponding conical tubular stubs (37) on the ~~a~~ platform deck of the lifting vessel.

6. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one of the near-vertical part support structures (16) ~~is~~ has a truss structure.

7. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) ~~is~~ has a truss structure.

8. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that the adjustable connection of at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) ~~of~~ to the lifting vessel (1) ~~is in the form of~~ comprises a hydraulically operated bolt (9) inserted into a corresponding hole (8) in a guiding rail (7) on the lifting vessel (1).

9. (currently amended) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one of the near-vertical part support structures (16) ~~in an area above the hinge point~~ (21) ~~is~~ equipped with ~~has~~ adjustable hydraulic arms (20) connected to the lifting vessel (1).

10. (new) A device according to claim 1, wherein the upper horizontal lifting beams (13) are above a top of the lifting vessel (1).

11. (new) A device according to claim 2, characterised in that at least one of the near-vertical support structures (16) has a truss structure.
12. (new) A device according to claim 4, characterised in that at least one of the near-vertical support structures (16) has a truss structure.
13. (new) A device according to claim 5, characterised in that at least one of the near-vertical support structures (16) has a truss structure.
14. (new) A device according to claim 2, characterised in that at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) has a truss structure.
15. (new) A device according to claim 4, characterised in that at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) has a truss structure.
16. (new) A device according to claim 5, characterised in that at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) has a truss structure.
17. (new) A device according to claim 6, characterised in that at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) has a truss structure.
18. (new) A device according to claim 2, characterised in that the adjustable connection of at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) to the lifting vessel (1) comprises a hydraulically operated bolt (9) inserted into a corresponding hole (8) in a guiding rail (7) on

the lifting vessel (1).

19. (new) A device according to claim 4, characterised in that the adjustable connection of at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) to the lifting vessel (1) comprises a hydraulically operated bolt (9) inserted into a corresponding hole (8) in a guiding rail (7) on the lifting vessel (1).

20. (new) A device according to claim 5, characterised in that the adjustable connection of at least one of the near-horizontal parts (18) to the lifting vessel (1) comprises a hydraulically operated bolt (9) inserted into a corresponding hole (8) in a guiding rail (7) on the lifting vessel (1).